

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
MITSURU AMIMOTO ET AL.) : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 10/646,926) : Group Art Unit: 2625
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ILLUMINATING APPARATUS)
FOR READING APPARATUS : July 25, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed non-English documents are also attached.

A concise explanation of relevance of non-English document JP 6-111007 may be found in the English abstract attached thereto.

Also, a concise explanation of relevance of non-English document JP 1-284067 may be found in the English abstract attached thereto and U.S. Pat. No. 5,239,392, which is the corresponding English document.

The cited documents were brought to the Applicants' attention in a foreign Official Action dated May 27, 2008, issued in a Japanese counterpart to the present application.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

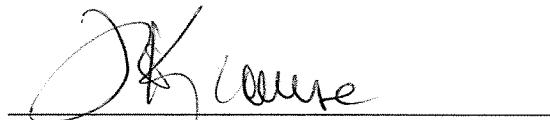
Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner, and that an initialed copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Also included with this filing is the required fee of \$180.00 in order to have this Information Disclosure Statement considered.

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